(g) if so, what are the details of those decisions and by when those would be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (c) A number of representations were received against the report of the Kelkar Committee, Special Team, Murthy Committee and the Committee which studied the norms for conversion cost and packing charges in respect of formulations. Standing Committee is already reviewing the anomalies relating to exclusion and inclusion of drugs and the amounts assessed by the Special Team upto 1983 in the Supreme Court case have already revised on a tentative basis.

(d) Yes, Sir.

(e) 26 bulk drugs have already been included under price control based on the recommendations of the Standing Committee.

(f) & (g) Standing Committee is a permanent forum to review the recommendations of the Kelkar Committee and other drug issues. It submits its recommendations to the Government for consideration. Decisions of the Govt. on some issues connected with price control, price decontrol, categorisation etc. have already been announced.

Reduction in the prices of Scheduled bulk drugs

2186. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to the Unstarred Question 2049 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th May, 1990 and state:

(a) what are the names of scheduled drugs out of 10 bulk drugs whose prices have been reduced due to reduction of duty on their intermediates;

(b) when the price of each was reduced;

(c) what was the earlier price of each and what is the present price;

(d) what are the revised prices of finished medicines based on these drugs; and

(e) what was the earlier price of each and what is the present price?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Out of the 10 scheduled bulk drugs which were specified in Notification No. 40|90 customs dated the 20th March, 1990, production of Carbamezapine have been discontinued by M|s. S. G. Pharmaceuticals there have been price increase of Chloramphenicol inspite of duty reduction and there have been price reduction in the case of Doxycycline.

(b) and (c) The price of Doxycycline was reduced from Rs. 5456 per kg. to Rs. 4968 with effect from 9th August, 1990.

(d) to (e) Prices of formulations based on this bulk drug are being worked out and would be announced shortly.

Categorisation of drugs needed for Recovery of Health Programme

2187. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2068 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 28th May, 1990 and state;

(a) when did his Ministry take the decision to obtain the list of all the drugs required for National Health Programmes from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare;

(b) whether his Ministry have written on this issue to the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare;

(c) if so, when and what is the response of the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare; and

(d) by when his Ministry would be able to finalise the list of category I drugs?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (d) The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare have since sent a tentative list of bulk drugs required for National Health Programmes for consideration by the Standing Committee.

Recovery of dues under Drug Prices Equalisation Account

2188. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 309 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 7th May, 1990 and state:

(a) whether his Ministry have recovered any amount under DPEA from 1st May, 1990 to 10th August, 1990:

(b) if so, what are the details of total amount recovered and what is the name of each drug company and the amount recovered from each;

(c) whether it is a fact that his Ministry issued fresh notices for recovery during the quarter May to July, 1990;

(d) if so, what are the names of the companies drugs involved and amount claimed from each;

(e) what is the response of each and whether any company has made any submission against the claim;

(f) if so, what are the details thereof;

(g) whether it is also a fact that certain companies have challenged these claims in courts of law; and

(h) if so, the names of those companies and the ground of challenge in each case?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Details as asked for are given in the attached statement I. (*See* below)

(c) and (d) After scrutiny, the amounts already assessed have been tentatively revised or where assessments were not made they have been made and communicated to the companies. Details of the companies and the amounts involved are given in the attached statement II. (*See* below)

(e) to (h) M|s. Lyka Labs and M|s. Glaxo India Limited., have filed writ petitions in the Bombay and Delhi High Courts respectively, against recovery and on certain other issues. In so far as both these companies are concerned, the matters are subjudice. Initial representations against the assessments submitted by other companies have been rejected and they have been advised to give full details so that the recoverable amounts can be finalised.

Statement I

(Rs. in lakhs)

S. No.	Name of the Company	Amount Deposited in to the DPEA after 1st May, 1990
1.	Parke Davis	25.38
2.	German Remedies	50.09
3.	Nicholas Labs (India) Ltd.	10.00
4.	Ethnor Limited	2.19
	TOTAL AMOUNT:	87.66